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Shooting Range Development Program Categorical Exclusion Determination

The Thompson Falls Trap Club, PO Box 1112, Thompson Falls, MT 59873, proposes to repair or replace the clubhouse handicap access ramp; the floor in trap storage building; replace the heating unit, and insulate the club house. The Thompson Falls Trap Club has applied for a grant under the Montana Shooting Range Development Program for \$3,552.⁰⁰ in partial funding of the \$7,104.⁰⁰ for the cost and labor of the repairs.

The proposed action is considered a minor repair or maintenance of an existing facility or equipment; or primarily social or economic in nature and that does not otherwise affect the human environment and therefore is exempt from an Environmental Assessment under MEPA (Montana Environmental Policy Act), IAW the MEPA Model Rules implemented under Title 75, chapter 1, MCA, the Montana Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) para. III...

(5) The agency is not required to prepare an EA or an EIS for the following categories of action:...(c) minor repairs, operations, or maintenance of existing equipment or facilities; (f) actions that are primarily social or economic in nature and that do not otherwise affect the human environment.

The grant proposal review is complete and the funding request for this proposed project is approved, pending Wilderness Sportsman Club's completion of other administrative requirements under the Shooting Range Development Program. Please direct questions or comments concerning this grant, to Wayde Cooperider at FWP, PO Box 200701, Helena, MT 59620, or e-mail wacooperider@mt.gov.